HOUSE No. 2024

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, petition of John J. Binienda and others for legislation to establish a "prevent blindness" fund through the office of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

John J. Binienda Emile J. Goguen Bruce E. Tarr Paul J. Donato Stephen M. Brewer Kathleen M. Teahan

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A FUND FOR "PREVENT BLINDNESS MASSACHUSETTS."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Offi-
- 2 cial Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 8D the
- 3 following new section:—
- 4 Section 8D½. The application form for a renewal issuance or
- 5 renewal extension shall include language permitting a voluntary
- 6 contribution of \$1 or more per applicant, to be quarterly distrib-
- 7 uted by the registrar to Prevent Blindness Massachusetts, a not-
- 8 for-profit organization, to prevent blindness and preserve the sight
- 9 of residents of this state. A statement providing an explanation of
- 10 the purpose of the funds shall be included with the application 11 form.
- 12 Prior to the registrar distributing funds collected pursuant to
- 13 paragraph 8D½, Prevent Blindness Massachusetts must submit a
- 14 report to the registrar that identifies how such funds were used
- 15 during the preceding year.